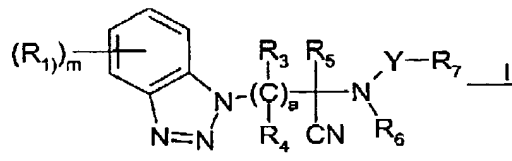


AMENDMENT TO CLAIMS

Claim 1-24. (Cancelled)

Claim 25. (Currently amended) A compound of formula I according to claim 1,



wherein

R₁ signifies halogen, cyano, nitro, C₁-C₂-alkyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkyl, C₁-C₂-alkoxy, halo-C₁-C₂-alkoxy or unsubstituted or substituted phenoxy, whereby the substituents may be independent of one another and are selected from the group consisting of halogen, C₁-C₄-alkyl, halo-C₁-C₄-alkyl, C₁-C₄-alkoxy and halo-C₁-C₄-alkoxy;

R₃, R₄ and R₅, independently of one another, signify hydrogen, halogen, C₁-C₂-alkyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkyl or C₃-C₆-cycloalkyl;

R₆ signifies hydrogen, C₁-C₂-alkyl, C₁-C₂-alkylcarbonyl or benzyl;

R₇ signifies phenyl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, whereby the substituents may be independent of one another and are selected from the group consisting of halogen, nitro, cyano, C₁-C₂-alkyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkyl, C₁-C₂-alkoxy, halo-C₁-C₂-alkoxy, C₃-C₅-cycloalkyl, C₁-C₂-alkylthio, halo-C₁-C₂-alkylthio, C₁-C₂-alkylsulfonyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkylsulfonyl, C₁-C₂-alkylcarbonyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkylcarbonyl, C₁-C₂-alkoxycarbonyl; aryl-C₁-C₂-alkyl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, aryloxy which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, aryloxy-C₁-C₂-alkyl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, and pyridyloxy which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, whereby the substituents may be independent of one another and are selected from the group consisting of halogen, nitro, cyano, C₁-C₂-alkyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkyl, C₁-C₂-alkoxy, halo-C₁-C₂-alkoxy, C₁-C₂-alkylthio, halo-C₁-C₂-alkylthio, C₁-C₂-alkylsulfonyl and halo-C₁-C₂-alkylsulfonyl; or hetaryl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, whereby the substituents may be independent of one another and are selected from the group consisting of halogen, nitro, cyano, C₁-C₂-alkyl, halo-C₁-C₂-alkyl, C₁-C₂-alkoxy, halo-C₁-C₂-alkoxy, C₂-C₄-alkenyloxy, halo-C₂-C₄-alkenyloxy, C₁-C₂-alkylthio, halo-C₁-C₂-alkylthio, C₁-C₂-alkylsulfonyl and halo-C₁-C₂-alkylsulfonyl;

R₈ and R₉, independently of one another, signify hydrogen or C₁-C₄-alkyl;

Y signifies C(O);

a signifies 1; and

m is 1 or 2.

Claim 26. (Currently amended) A compound of formula I according to claim [[1]] 25, wherein R_1 signifies halogen, cyano, nitro, C_1 - C_2 -alkyl, halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkyl, C_1 - C_2 -alkoxy or halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkoxy;

R_3 , R_4 and R_5 , independently of one another, signify hydrogen, methyl or halomethyl;

R_6 signifies hydrogen or C_1 - C_2 -alkyl;

R_7 signifies phenyl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, whereby the substituents may be independent of one another and are selected from the group consisting of halogen, cyano, C_1 - C_2 -alkyl, halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkyl, C_1 - C_2 -alkoxy, halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkoxy, C_3 - C_6 -cycloalkyl, C_1 - C_2 -alkylcarbonyl, halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkylcarbonyl, C_1 - C_2 -alkoxycarbonyl; aryl- C_1 - C_2 -alkyl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, and aryloxy- C_1 - C_2 -alkyl which is unsubstituted or substituted once or many times, whereby the substituents may each be independent of one another and are selected from the group consisting of halogen, cyano, C_1 - C_2 -alkyl, halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkyl, C_1 - C_2 -alkoxy and halo- C_1 - C_2 -alkoxy;

R_8 and R_9 , independently of one another, signify hydrogen or C_1 - C_2 -alkyl;

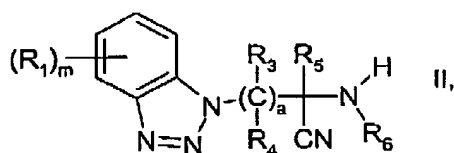
Y signifies C(O);

a signifies 1; and

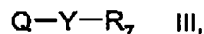
m is 1 or 2.

Claim 27. (Original) A compound of formula I according to claim 1 by name N-[1-cyano-1-methyl-2-(5-chlorobenzotriazol-1-yl)-ethyl]-4-trifluoromethoxybenzamide.

Claim 28. (Currently amended) A method for the preparation of compounds of formula I, respectively in free form or in salt form, according to claim [[1]] 25, whereby a compound of formula II



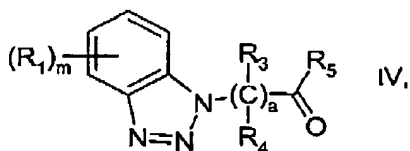
which is known or may be produced analogously to corresponding known compounds, and wherein R_1 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , R_6 , a and m are defined as given for formula I, is reacted with a compound of formula III



which is known or may be prepared analogously to corresponding known compounds, and wherein Y and R_7 are defined as given for formula I and Q is a leaving group, optionally in the

presence of a basic catalyst, and if desired, a compound of formula I obtainable according to the method or in another way, respectively in free form or in salt form, is converted into another compound of formula I, a mixture of isomers obtainable according to the method is separated and the desired isomer isolated and/or a free compound of formula I obtainable according to the method is converted into a salt or a salt of a compound of formula I obtainable according to the method is converted into the free compound of formula I or into another salt.

Claim 29. (Previously presented) A method for the preparation of compounds of formula II, respectively in free form or in salt form, according to claim 28, whereby a compound of formula IV



which is known or may be produced analogously to corresponding known compounds, in which R_1 , R_3 , R_4 , R_5 , a and m are defined as for formula I, is reacted with an inorganic or organic cyanide and a compound of formula R_6-NH_2 , which is known or may be produced analogously to corresponding known compounds and wherein R_6 is defined as for formula I, and if desired, a compound of formula II obtainable according to the method or in another way, respectively in free form or in salt form, is converted into another compound of formula II, a mixture of isomers obtainable according to the method is separated and the desired isomer isolated and/or a free compound of formula II obtainable according to the method is converted into a salt or a salt of a compound of formula II obtainable according to the method is converted into the free compound of formula II or into another salt.

Claims 30-39. (Cancelled)

Claim 40. (Currently amended) A composition for the control of parasites which contains as active ingredient at least one compound of formula I according to claim [[1]] 25, in addition to carriers and/or dispersants.

Claims 41-46. (Cancelled)